



Imase  
\$ RCE  
\$ 1731

PTO/SB/30 (5/2000)

Approved for use through xx/xx/xxxx. OMB 0651-0631

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/000,330
Filing Date	December 4, 2001
First Named Inventor	BERBNER Heinz
Group Art Unit	1731
Examiner Name	CHIN, Peter
Attorney Docket Number	53258

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to  
Deposit Account No. 11-0345
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 04/12/2004 BABRAHA1 00000081 10000330
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 770.00 OP
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Jason D. Voight	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	42,205
Signature	<i>Jason D. Voight</i>	Date	April 08, 04

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on:

Name (Print/Type)	Sabine Berg	Date	April 08, 2004
Signature	<i>Sabine Berg</i>		

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND Fees and Completed Forms to the following address: Commissioner for Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231.



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of )

BERBNER et al. )

Serial No. 10/000,330 )

Group Art Unit: 1731

Filed: December 04, 2001 )

Examiner: CHIN, Peter )

For: USE OF MELAMINE RESIN FIBERS AND INSULATING MATERIALS BASED  
ON MELAMINE RESIN FIBERS AND POLYALKYLENE TEREPHTHALATE  
FIBERS

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the  
United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope  
addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, PO Box  
1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on:

April 08, 2004

Date of Deposit

SABINE BERG

Person Making Deposit

Sabine Berg

Signature

April 08, 2004

Date of Signature

Honorable Comm'r. of Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUBMISSION

In response to the Office action of December 8, 2003 and Advisory action of  
January 22, 2004, please enter the following amendment.

04/12/2004 BABRAHA1 00000080 10000330

01 FC:1251

110.00 OP